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Joseph Gillis, Ephraim Wilson, Samuel Adams, Wm. Winder, Ephraim Ring, George Gale & Thomas Jones
and others to be judged also by these presents we do command the Sheriff or our said County of Somerset
that at the several Courts to be held from time to time he give his Attendance and cause to come before you or any
one of us or of you and such and so many good and lawfull men as his Baily will have for the said day
handed thereof by whom the truth of the matter in the Provisions may be known and examined
Lastly you shall cause to have be brought before you at your said Court all White proscript persons
and judgment to your Courts and jurisdiction belonging that the same may be prosecuted and by due course
of law determined. Witness Our trusty and well beloved Master Sharpe Lieut. Lieutenant General and
chief Governor of the Province of Maryland this twenty second Day of September in the Eleventh year of
our Dominion A.D. 1761.

Master Sharpe

Maryland Frederick Absolute Land Proprietary of the Province of Maryland
Ansel D. Mar of Baltimore & T. Richard Lee Benedict Clark Robert Jones
Henry Daniel Dulany Stephen Randy John Ridout Esq. Samuel Adams William Winder
Ephraim Ring, George Gale & Thomas Jones of Somerset County Gentlemen Greeting moderately
Authorize and Impower you as Sheriff of your County to Administer the several Oaths required by Act of Assembly
relative to the Government as also the Oath of Judge or Justice Benjamin Staker, Charles Hammond,
Samuel Chamberlain, Philip Thomas and David Loyd Esq. James Hardy, Wm. Whalley, Joseph Gillis
and Ephraim Wilson of the said County Gentlemen as long as there and you the said Benjamin Staker, Charles
Hammond, Samuel Chamberlain, Philip Thomas, David Loyd, James Hardy, Benjamin Whalley, Joseph
Gillis and Ephraim Wilson being of you having taken the said Oaths are hereby Impowered to Administer the same
to the Justices and Commissioners Proximately as they are mentioned in the Within Commission and we will that
you and they of you having taken the said Oaths do severally subscribe the last and Oath of Allegiance and
so doing this shall be your sufficient Name and Authority hereof signed and when you have made the same
you are to Certify the same under your hands and seal to me in my High Court of Session with all convenient
speed witness P. L. S. and well beloved Master Sharpe Lieut. Lieutenant General and Chief Governor
of the said Province of Maryland this Twenty second Day of September in the Eleventh year of our
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Which being Read and heard therupon Samuel Adams Pursuant to the Direction to him directed Administered
the several Oaths aforesaid by each of a severally like like to the Government as also the Oath of
Justice to severally and Joseph Gillis who severally took the same and reported the fact and subscribed the
same with the Oath of Allegiance thereto. The said James Hardy Administered the same Oath
Agreeable to the direction to him directed to Samuel Chamberlain Ring and Thomas Jones who severally took
the same and reported the fact and subscribed the same with the Oath of Allegiance and had their
Places on the Bench as follows viz —

The Worshipful { James Hardy Wm. Winder ^(part)
{ Joseph Gillis Ephraim Ring His Ladyes夫君
{ S. Adams J. Staker Justice
{ E. Wilf. Jr. The Mayor and C. B.

Whereupon the same being called to an account was directed to be sealed in manner following —

Proclamation being made the Sheriff of Somerset County returned a Bill of Grand Jury
to say V. his William Fleming, W. Gale, Christopher Dyer, Thomas Wall, John Green, The Standish, Mr.
Robert, John Moore, W. Jones, Robert Dabell, John St. George, Richard, Charles Leathers, W. Bush
Fountain, Beauchamp, Beauchamp Davis, Ned Daugherty, Thomas Marshall, James Dillie, Matthew Carter
Michael